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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97-1.98, Applicant herewith transmits copies of the documents listed in the attached Form PTO/SB/08, which may be deemed material to the examination of the above-identified application.

The listed documents were cited in a Japanese Office Action with respect to a Japanese Patent Application related to the Applicant's above-identified U.S. Patent Application. For the Examiner's convenience, a copy of the Japanese office action is attached.

As indicated, the listed documents are in English or include English abstracts and therefore, no statement of relevance is required. Also, since the present Information Disclosure Statement is being after the issuance of a first Office Action on the merits, but within three months of the Japanese Office Action, no certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required.

The Examiner is requested to consider the listed documents in connection with the Applicant's above-identified application and to return a copy of the Form PTO/SB/08 to the Applicant with the Examiner's initials in the spaces provided.

Submission of this Information Disclosure Statement does not constitute an admission by the Applicant as to the materiality of the listed documents to the Applicant's application, nor does the Applicant waive any right to challenge the validity of the documents as prior art should such action be deemed appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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